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STATE OF THE CITY City Council Article Kelvyn H. Cullimore – MAYOR

In the seven years since our incorporation on January 14, 2005, we have not only survived the challenge of starting up a city but, thanks to much citizen support, have thrived as a community. As we have no specific forum for a formal “state of the city” report, I will endeavor to provide a brief thumbnail sketch of the state of Cottonwood Heights including highlights from the last year.

One of the most important objectives following incorporation was to establish a sound financial basis for city operations. The fact that we have maintained a high level of municipal services without the need to raise taxes or fees during the last seven years is evidence of that achievement. We did not anticipate the economic downturns that occurred just a few years after incorporation. Revenues dropped by more than \$1 million per year. As a result, we have had to be

even more fiscally restrained in the management of our budget.

Further evidence of our financial strength is that for the fifth consecutive year we received the Government Finance Officers Association award for excellence in budgeting. It is estimated that fewer than a dozen cities in the state can make that same claim. Cottonwood Heights remains the only city in Salt Lake County that does not assess taxes on electrical, natural gas or telecommunications services. We have no bond indebtedness or other long term debt other than the leases for our police cars.

Most importantly, we finished the last fiscal year ending June 30, 2012 with unrestricted fund balances approaching \$2 million. That means our budgeted income exceeded our budgeted expense by almost \$2 million. That is an indication of excellent financial management by all our department heads. In addition, at the end of the fiscal year we had nearly \$5.8 million

remaining in our capital projects fund, some of which was reserved for specific future projects like Mountview Park.

With many other cities considering and implementing tax increases or cutting costs by significantly changing the level or method of delivering municipal services during these difficult economic times, Cottonwood Heights residents can take comfort that their city government is able to maintain a high level of municipal services while implementing strong fiscal controls over budgetary matters.

Public safety is likely the most important service the city provides to its residents. The formation of the Cottonwood Heights Police Department more than three years ago significantly improved the level of service to our residents. We receive the occasional complaint that having so many officers seems a bit overwhelming – especially if

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East Jordan Canal Construction To Benefit All Residents

By Kyle Butterfield and Brad Gilson

Shallow groundwater has flooded basements along Dawn Drive for decades, and it was believed that a combination of factors, including irrigation water from the East Jordan Canal, were to blame. So a few years ago, canal owner Salt Lake City Public Utilities decided to pipe parts of the canal with a 72-inch concrete pipe to ensure that no more water seeps out of the sides of the canal bank.

Right now, construction crews are finishing the work of piping the a segment of the East Jordan Canal between 1495 East and Fort Union Boulevard. The work began in December 2012 and is moving along very well. So far, construction has included cleaning the bridge beneath Fort Union Boulevard,

clearing and grubbing the existing canal, laying the new 72-inch concrete pipe, and removing and replacing the existing bridge culvert that spans 1495 East.

A new concrete cleanout structure has also been added to the existing bridge at Fort Union Boulevard to allow maintenance access to the soon-to-be enclosed canal. Construction crews will be working through the month of February on placing the new pipe and backfilling the existing canal. Weather permitting, this section of the canal is expected to be completely enclosed by the beginning of March.

This current phase of construction work is a joint partnership between Salt Lake City Public Utilities and

Cottonwood Heights. As part of the partnership, the two entities are discussing a possible easement for Cottonwood Heights to build a paved trail over the enclosed canal between Fort Union Boulevard and the new Mountview Park.

If granted, the easement would provide a unique and rare opportunity to construct a multi-use trail way though an existing urban neighborhood. If Cottonwood Heights were required to buy the property for a trail, the cost would be prohibitive. However, by working together on projects like this, governmental agencies can build amenities that become a great asset to the public.

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*Chief's CORNER*

Chief Robby Russo

The Legalization Of Illicit Drugs: Myths VS. Facts

With the recent tragedy affecting officers in the Ogden Police Department, I was disturbed to see blogs and social media comments suggesting that lives would be saved if the government would legalize drugs. Many emphasize the legalization of marijuana, since it appears to have been the object of the search warrant being executed by the Weber-Morgan Task Force. The media and others have used the term "low-risk" to describe the police operation.

I have spent the majority of my career in narcotics and have served more than a hundred search warrants, and the tactics in those operations are the same ones used every day all over the United States. But even officers need to remember that nothing is considered a "low-risk" warrant service. In fact, it's dangerous for both officers and civilians to become complacent about any police task because nothing in our business should ever be considered "low-risk." That's what gets cops hurt.

When these things happen, certain myths and questions related to drug legislation always emerge. People want to debate topics related to drugs and alcohol using street philosophers' canned arguments. Legalization advocates attempt to support their position with faulty analogies, misrepresentations and unsupported theories.

However, Deputy Chief Thomas J. Gorman of the California Bureau of Narcotic Enforcement has published several articles regarding the myths of drug legalization which I believe are right on point. I'd like to share a few of the most common myths according to Gorman:

"MYTH: Drug use is a victimless crime.

FACT: There are actually four classes of drug use victims: the users, the family and friends of the users, the individuals who are victimized by the acts of those under the influence, and the tax payers who are paying the price. Tell these people, who have had firsthand experience with drug abusers, that they are not victims. Tell the mother and father whose child was killed by a drugged driver, of the husband whose wife was raped by somebody loaded on cocaine, or the sister whose brother was brutally beaten by a "speed freak" that they are not the victims of drug use.

"MYTH: Alcohol and illicit drugs are no different; thus, it is hypocritical for society to allow alcohol use while outlawing other drugs.

FACT: Alcohol and illicit drugs have a major difference. Most people use alcohol as a beverage and don't drink to become intoxicated; whereas, with drugs, intoxication is the sole purpose. That is why marijuana smokers seek the higher THC content in marijuana and why crack is so popular among cocaine users. A more factual analogy would be to compare drug use with drunkenness. In addition, illicit drugs are far more addicting than alcohol. Also, approximately one-half of our citizens use alcohol, whereas only approximately eight percent use illicit drugs. In fact, there are almost as many people addicted to alcohol as use illicit drugs. The paradox is, while society is strengthening and demanding stricter enforcement of alcohol laws, there are those who want to decriminalize and even abolish drug laws.



"MYTH: Elimination of drugs would reduce crime and free prison space for more serious violent offenders.

FACT: Removal of laws would reduce incidents for those specific violations, but the behavior would not change. Lowering the age of consent to 12 would reduce the number of child molestation crimes, but it would not change the fact that predators were molesting young children ages 12 to 18. The advocates fail to recognize what drug experts are well aware of: that a high percentage of drug dealers were criminals first.

Ninety-three percent of all state prison inmates are violent and/or serious repeat offenders. Only 1.4 percent are first-time, "non-violent" drug offenders. Keep in mind that "non-violent" only describes the act for which individuals are incarcerated and not their past history or previous behavior. If an organized crime "hit-man" were convicted for income tax evasion, then he would be considered a non-violent inmate. The simple truth is that if we legalize or decriminalize drugs, the acts of violence against our citizens would skyrocket."

Labeling a mob hit-man as a non-violent offender based only on the crimes he has been convicted of is as absurd as categorizing the alleged shooter in Ogden as a non-violent marijuana grower. So the next time someone wants to argue the good Lord put marijuana on the earth as a natural herb, refer to this article or contact the Cottonwood Heights Police Department for facts regarding drug use and legalization. Please keep our brother officers and their families in your prayers.

East Jordan Canal Construction To Benefit All Residents*Continued Page 1***History of the East Jordan Canal Project:**

- Dawn Drive residents suffer from flooding in their basements.
- More water usually appears after canal begins service in spring, peaking in August.
- Cottonwood Heights becomes an incorporated city in 2005.
- Councilman Gordon Thomas and Mayor Kelvyn Cullimore work with residents and Salt Lake Public Utilities to discuss piping canal.
- City Manager Liane Stillman asks City Engineer Brad Gilson to perform water

quality testing to determine the similarity between the water in the canal and the flooded basements. The results yield a 75 percent similarity in composition of water chemistry.

- Salt Lake Public Utilities installs a 72-inch pipe from 1495 East to Mountview Park.
- The current phase of canal piping from 1495 East to Fort Union is performed jointly as a partnership between Salt Lake Public Utilities and Cottonwood Heights. Salt Lake pays for the piping and Cottonwood Heights pays for the road crossing and the



connection at Fort Union.

- Salt Lake works with Cottonwood Heights to discuss an easement on their canal for a trail to be maintained by Cottonwood Heights.



COMMUNITY CULTURE



Community Culture

Local Authors Wanted!

Cottonwood Heights, in cooperation with Whitmore Library and the Salt Lake County Library System, will be hosting the city's second Write for the Heights Literacy Fair. We are changing the program a bit this year, and we would like to invite local authors to participate in some of the forums associated with the event.

If you have published fiction or non-fiction or performed or published poetry, and you would like to participate in a writer's panel or teach a writing class or workshop, please contact Ann

Eatchel at aetchel@cottonwoodheights.utah.gov to submit a letter of interest, resume, writing samples and possible curriculum.

The deadline to submit letters of interest is Feb. 15. The panel will be held at the Whitmore Library on April 14 from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and is free to the public. Write for the Heights will include three writing classes during the summer and a writing contest in the fall, so stay tuned to the city website and Facebook page for the latest updates!

Saturday, April 14

Literacy FAIR



Community SPOTLIGHT

Neal Stowe, an active member of the Cottonwood Heights Architectural Review Commission, passed away recently after battling serious health issues. His contributions as an inaugural member of the commission were recognized at a recent city council meeting.

Neal contributed much through his service to the city and was a very well-qualified member of the commission. He had a B.S. in History and a Master of Architecture degree, both from the University of Utah. He also earned a certificate for strategic leadership from Duke University and a certificate in recreational design from Harvard.

Neal's work influenced many building projects seen around the valley. For years, he served as the Director of Facilities Construction and Management for the State of Utah. In 1989, he was appointed Director

of Facility Development in Salt Lake City's bid to host the 2002 Winter Olympics. After Salt Lake won their Olympic bid, he worked on the design and construction of the Grand America Hotel and the remodeling of the Little America Hotel.

However, Neal was also very active in civic and professional organizations as well. He was a member of the American Institute of Architects' (AIA) College of Fellows and served as president of the AIA in Utah. He was also appointed by the governor to serve on the Utah State Capitol Preservation Board.

Neal leaves behind his wife Peggy, three children and four grandchildren. The city council and staff of Cottonwood Heights extend our condolences to the Stowe family and express gratitude for the time and talent which Neal shared with our community.

Neal Stowe



CH To Distribute Scholarships From Anonymous Donor

An anonymous donor in Cottonwood Heights has asked city leaders to administer \$3,000 in scholarship money to eligible high school seniors that live in the city.

Students must have the following in order to apply:

- Minimum GPA of 2.9
- ACT/SAT Score (no minimum required)
- Essay
- Two personal references
- Student must not have been awarded any other scholarships.

The deadline to submit completed applications to the Brighton High School counseling center

is noon on Friday, April 13. A more detailed breakdown of scholarship criteria can be requested from the school counseling center. Seniors who live in Cottonwood Heights but don't go to Brighton High School can request the criteria by contacting the city offices at 801-944-7000.



HISTORICAL QUESTION

What incident prompted the installation of the first stop signs at the intersection of 2300 East and 7000 South (Fort Union Boulevard)?



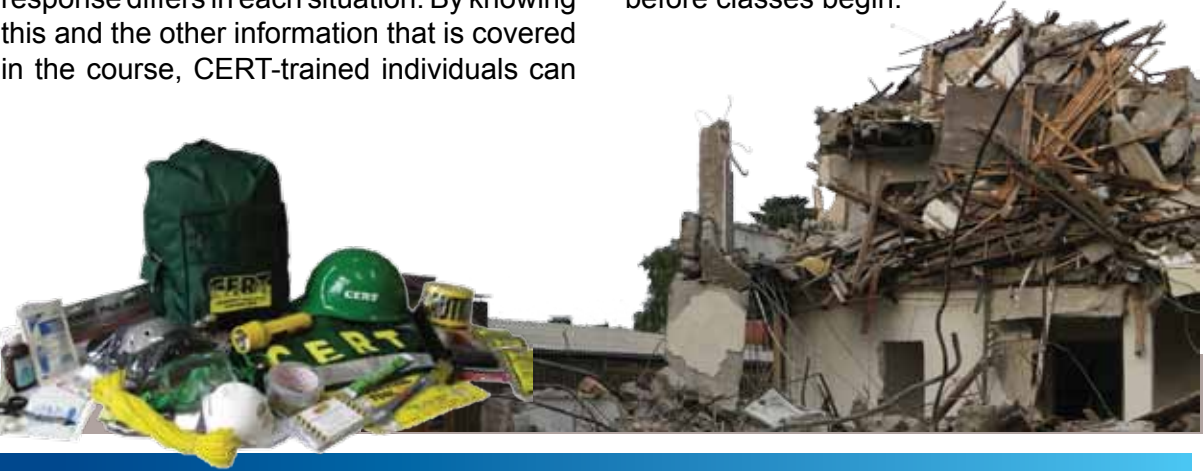
CERT Class To Be Offered In Cottonwood Heights

Unified Fire Authority is offering a Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) class in Cottonwood Heights beginning March 22.

Disasters happen when you least expect them, and being prepared is the key to overcoming them. CERT teaches participants about different kinds of disasters and how the response differs in each situation. By knowing this and the other information that is covered in the course, CERT-trained individuals can

assist with recovery and survival efforts in case of a disaster of any scale.

To register for CERT classes, just go to unifiedfire.org and click on "Register for Classes." Space is limited and participants are taken on a first-come, first-served basis. Those who register for the class are required to complete a portion of the course online before classes begin.



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Some Reminders About Snow Removal

Recently, the city has fielded a number of complaints from residents who have noticed cars on the street blocking snow plows or have seen people shoveling snow back into already-plowed streets.

To help facilitate good feelings between neighbors, here are some reminders about snow removal:

- City code requires residents to move parked cars off the streets when there is any accumulation of snow until 24 hours after a storm has passed.



- Sidewalks need to be cleared of snow within a reasonable time on the same day the snow falls, unless the snowfall occurs after 8 p.m. In that case, it can

wait until the next morning but must be gone by 10 a.m.

- It is against city code to shovel or blow snow into gutters or roadways, so please aim for the yard instead!

Regulations regarding snow removal can be found on the city's website under Titles 11 and 14 of the municipal code.



City Council Asks For Public's Input Regarding CDBG Funds

Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) are federal funds dedicated to low-income census tracts. Cottonwood Heights does not have any specific neighborhoods which qualify for these funds, but the city can work through qualifying agencies to assure funds are spent appropriately on individual projects.

Along with many other programs, CDBG funds have been cut quite substantially since the recession. Nevertheless, Cottonwood Heights has been awarded a small amount of money to help keep low-income and otherwise qualifying citizens in their homes.

It has been proposed that Cottonwood Heights use this year's CDBG money to fund two programs: ASSIST, Inc. and Valley Services. The Cottonwood Heights City Council will hold a public hearing on March 27 to solicit comment on this proposed use of funds.

The hearing will be held at 7 p.m. in the city council chambers at 1265 E. Fort Union Blvd. Suite 300. Reasonable accommodations for individuals with disabilities or those in need of language interpretation services can be provided if three working days' notice is given to the city. Please call Linda Dunlavy at 801-944-7000. TTY/TDD users should call 7-1-1.

ASSIST, Inc.

ASSIST helps qualifying residents with major home rehabilitation, remodeling, renovation or restoration. They provide such services as roof repairs, wheelchair ramps, plumbing and electrical, among other things. They can help modify a home for accessibility by installing ramps, retrofitting bathrooms, etc.

Valley Services – Handyman Services Program

Handyman Services is the only housing program which concentrates its efforts specifically on critical minor repairs and preventative maintenance. The goal of Handyman Services is to preserve the livability of homes. This is accomplished by focusing exclusively on providing comprehensive, individualized services which allow people to live in their homes and communities. Typically, ASSIST projects require licensed contractors while Handyman Services projects do not.

If CDBG funding for these programs is approved, Cottonwood Heights would not accept applications for repairs directly, but would instead refer people to ASSIST or Valley Services to work through their established application processes.





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CH Competing To Be Fittest City In The County

Commit to be Fit is not only a goal-setting program to help people live a healthier lifestyle, it is also a contest between all the cities in the Salt Lake Valley to see which city has pledged to become the most fit.

Would you like to get on board and help Cottonwood Heights become the fittest city in the county? All you have to do is go to the Commit to be Fit website at www.slfit.org, pledge to make a healthy change in your current habits—large or small—and then stick to your goal.

Some participants have chosen to do simple things like taking the stairs instead of the elevator. Others have chosen more

ambitious goals like training for a 5k or learning how to play tennis. It's all about choosing an attainable goal that fits into your busy life.

Everyone who signs up will receive a coupon for a free fruit smoothie from McDonald's and is entered into Commit to be Fit's twice-monthly prize drawing. Past prizes include two free rentals from Canyon Sports and a four-pack of passes to Hogle Zoo. There will also be a grand prize drawing at the end of summer 2012. You don't want to miss the opportunity to win!

Don't forget to spread the word to your family members and friends and let's all take this opportunity to commit to be fit!



The city of Cottonwood Heights is proud to announce that new interactive GIS maps are now available for use from our website, cottonwoodheights.utah.gov. These interactive maps are similar in look and feel to Google-type web maps and incorporate current data from the city's Geographic Information System (GIS) as well as a number of user selectable basemaps. In these maps you can zoom in and out, pan, define an address to zoom to, and print the map shown in your browser. Users can click on the map and view specific information about the selected location.

These maps can be accessed by holding your mouse over the Departments tab on the website, selecting "Planning and Zoning", and clicking on "City Maps."

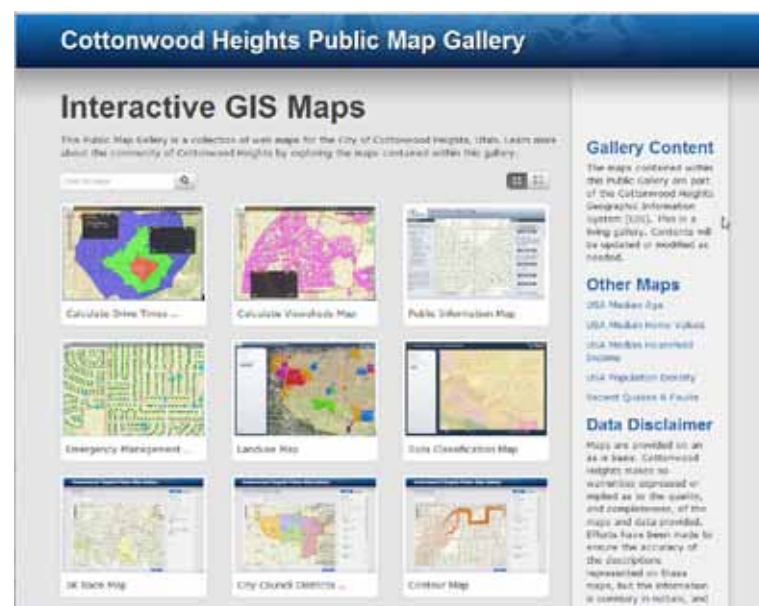
From the City Maps page, click on either link under the Interactive GIS Maps heading.

The interactive maps are arranged in a map gallery showing nine maps per page. General information about the maps, map gallery, and some links to other non-Cottonwood Heights maps of interest can be found along the right side of the gallery page. You can access other pages within the gallery using the page numbers or forward and back arrows located in the lower left portion of the gallery page.

The maps contained in the gallery will change as new maps are added and maps specific to individual events or time sensitive activities are removed. To access a particular map of interest simply click on the

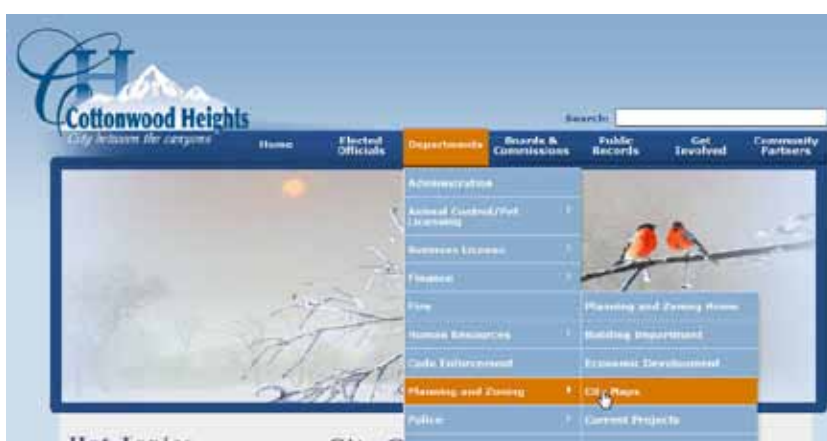
image of the map contained in the gallery. To return to the map gallery use the back button on your browser.

If you are looking to find general public information about a location within the city, try using the Public Information Map. If you are interested in finding Zoning, Land Use, or City Council Districts at a specific location click on the appropriate



interactive map. Curious about the natural hazards that might be near your home? Use the Natural Hazards Map to find out. For fun you can even calculate average five, ten, and fifteen minute drive times from your home or any other specified location using the Calculate Drive Times Map.

We hope you find these interactive maps useful and easy to use. If you have questions, suggestions, or ideas for new interactive maps, please email us using the email link located in the lower right portion of the gallery page. Your input is valued and will be taken under consideration towards improving this site.





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a resident is on the receiving end of a citation. However, our police department has successfully resolved nearly every Part One crime committed in our city in the last three years. Part One crimes are violent crimes against persons, including homicide, rape, robbery and assault.

In addition, because of the resources available to our residents, many burglaries and thefts are often resolved as I learned recently when CHPD recovered a snow-blower stolen from my own garage. The resolution of so many crimes and the recovery of stolen property is a hallmark of excellent police work and a direct benefit to the citizens served. This year we funded a new position to target drug abuse, particularly prescription drug abuse. That program has been very successful in addressing this problem in our community.

Cottonwood Heights also places a high priority on removing impaired drivers from the road. During at least one month this year we cited more impaired drivers than any other agency in the state, including the Utah Highway Patrol. We do not apologize for being tough on impaired driving. By citing an average of more than 20 such drivers per month, we believe we do more to save lives and prevent property damage and personal injuries than through any other single initiative.

Our police department is only half of the public safety equation. We also have excellent firefighters from Unified Fire Authority who are well equipped and respond to numerous medical and fire calls. In calendar year 2012, Station 110 on Fort Union, which is one of the five busiest stations in the entire UFA system, responded to 1625 medical calls and 698 fire calls. Station 116 on Wasatch Boulevard responded to 848 medical calls and 260 fire calls. These first responders not only save lives on a regular basis, but render a much-needed community service which typically goes unrecognized.

During 2012 we undertook some significant capital improvement projects, the most notable being the creation of Mountview Park. This joint venture with Canyons School District is an innovative way to make good use of publicly owned property and leverage tax dollars for the benefit of our mutual constituents. This park will feature large athletic fields, two tennis courts, a basketball court, two playgrounds, walking trails, a large pavilion with restrooms, and a splash pad – all while preserving the cherished sledding hill on the south end of the property. The park is scheduled to open in the summer of 2012.

Other major capital projects included repaving a large section of Fort Union Boulevard, work on Big Cottonwood Canyon trail, street lighting for Park Centre Drive and 1300 East, and major maintenance on Highland Drive.

We are very pleased with the way Canyons School District partners with the city. In addition to the Mountview Park project, we have worked with Canyons on an arrangement to make the auditorium of the new Butler Middle School larger than originally planned so that the city's arts council can have use of the building for city-sponsored performances. We are working together to make the new Butler Park larger and better as we tear down the old Cottonwood Heights Elementary and replace it with park space, tennis courts and playing fields for shared use by the school district and community.

Land use issues have also been high profile during the year. Our efforts to find a compromise with the developers of the Tavaci project at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon were unsuccessful. The developer is seeking to disconnect the property from the city in hopes that returning to the county will result in more favorable response to their development plans. Regrettably, this lawsuit will cost the city hundreds of thousands of tax dollars in legal fees. But we feel it is important to keep the property in the city and maintain our involvement to integrate this with other present and future development plans in the area.

By contrast, we have successfully worked with the developer of the old Canyon Racquet Club property for a gateway type of development named Canyon Centre that will bring upscale hotels and office space that serve not only the city, but visitors to the canyons. The development is slated to include public parking for hundreds of recreationalists using the canyons and a park for use by the city and its residents.

These projects always draw public interest as concerns arise about impacts from the developments. We have appreciated the civil dialog that has been associated with some of the more controversial projects. The involvement of and input from the citizenry helps shape city decisions and policies. We have strived to be transparent in our activities and responsive to balancing the rights of all property owners affected by development within the parameters of state law.

Our business community continues to thrive. The only significant loss has been the Fresh Market grocery store on 1300 East. Many new retail businesses have been established in the last year. Our reputation as a prime destination for Class A office operations has been enhanced with the construction of the new building at Old Mill Corporate Center, the planned additional office space at Canyon Centre and a proposed office expansion at the Cottonwood Corporate Center. We believe Cottonwood Heights offers more Class A office space than any other city outside Salt Lake City. Most of these offices

CITY COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

All City Council business meetings are held in the council chambers, 1265 East Fort Union Blvd., Ste. 300. The work meetings are held in the conference room at the same address but in Ste. 250. The February meeting schedule is as follows:

- **Tuesday, February 7th**
6 p.m. Work Meeting
- **Tuesday, February 14th**
6 p.m. Work Meeting
(reconvenes following business meeting)
7 p.m. Business Meeting
- **Tuesday, February 21st**
6 p.m. Work Meeting
- **Tuesday, February 28th**
6 p.m. Work Meeting
(reconvenes following business meeting)
7 p.m. Business Meeting
- **CITY OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED**
Feb. 20th in honor of President's Day

provide high-paying jobs that allow many of our residents to live near their place of employment. We are also working on the establishment of a Cottonwood Heights Chamber of Commerce.

In 2012, Cottonwood Heights was named a finalist in the All-America City Awards competition which is sponsored by the National Civic League. It was the first time in decades a Utah city received such recognition. While we were not selected as a winner, we were honored to be recognized as a finalist.

2012 also saw the departure of Nicole Omer, our youngest and, to date, only female city council member, who moved to Denver for employment reasons. We also bid farewell to Councilman Gordon Thomas, who decided not to run for re-election after seven years of faithful service as a city council member and many years before that serving on community councils. While the influence and perspectives of Nicole and Gordon will be missed, we welcome new council members Mike Peterson and Mike Shelton.

Space will not allow a full treatment of past accomplishments or a treatise on future visions for the community. Suffice it to say that we are pleased with what has been accomplished, the sound financial foundation of the city, and the direction we are taking for the future. We appreciate the hundreds of volunteers that help staff our city committees and events, because in the end it is the quality of our citizens that makes Cottonwood Heights the best city in the state. As a city council, we will work diligently to maintain the image of Cottonwood Heights as one of the most desirable locations in the Salt Lake Valley in which to live, work and play.



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Answer To February Historical Committee Question:

In the early 1930's, the area known as Butler was very rural and sparsely populated, and the majority of the residents lived on top of the hill. This made the two main routes for visiting the neighboring communities of Union, Midvale, Murray, Holladay, and Salt Lake City via either Butler Hill (70th South, now Fort Union Boulevard) and Brown's/Colebrook's Hill (2300 East). Traffic was very sparse and views at the intersections were unobstructed. The need for any type of traffic control appeared to be unnecessary.

On the morning of October 25, 1932, two girls from Danish Town (now the Danish Road area), Ila Green and her sister Verda Green Reed, who had married a month earlier, rode into Salt Lake City with Dr. J. B. Wallace of Granite to spend the day with their sister Zelma. On the return trip that evening, while traveling south on 23rd East and approaching the intersection of 70th South, they saw a truck coming down Butler Hill. Unfortunately, each thought they could beat the other through the intersection. According to the investigating officer both vehicles were traveling at a high rate of speed when the truck hit the car broadside.

Mrs. Reed was thrown from the car and the car came to rest on top of her. She died of her injuries later that evening at the hospital. Her sister, who had been sitting in the front seat, was thrown into the back seat and suffered a broken arm and internal injuries. Dr. Wallace was also injured. The truck driver was not injured.

There were no witnesses to the accident, but Alonzo Green who lived on 23rd East close to the intersection heard the crash and rushed to the scene to find two of his nieces were involved. He drove to his brother Reuben's house in Danish Town to tell him about the accident and take him to the hospital. This was not only a tragedy for the Green family, but for the whole community.

About two years earlier another fatal accident had occurred at the same intersection and the burned out remains of that vehicle had lain for months in Parley Blair's field (Now Hillside Plaza). The second fatality prompted the installation of the stop signs for the north and south bound traffic on 23rd East at 70th South.

HISTORICAL ANSWERS

CH Needs You To Help Us "Flip Our Float"

Each year, Cottonwood Heights builds a float and enters it into several parades in the Salt Lake Valley, including the annual Days of '47 Parade. The city owns the float base, but each year we like to come up with a new idea for the float design based on the Days of '47 theme and our city's rich heritage.

This year, we are turning to the creative residents of Cottonwood Heights for our float design by creating a city-wide contest called "Flip Our Float." Don't worry—we won't expect you to show up with staplers and glue guns to build the float! We're just looking for great design ideas.

The theme we've chosen for our float this year is "Dreaming of the future, honoring the past." Float designs should meet the following criteria:

- Float designs **MUST** follow the theme, and should be submitted as a hand-drawn or digital representation of your vision for the float. Digital drawings should be converted to either .pdf or .jpeg format before submission.
- Keep in mind that the highest point of the float design cannot reach more than 14 feet, and the float can't be longer than 26 feet or wider than 11 feet.
- People need to be able to ride this float, and should be incorporated in the design drawing. (In the past, float riders have dressed up as pioneers, construction workers, etc. in keeping with the float's theme for that year.)
- Designs should be economically conservative.
- Designs must be submitted to the city by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, February 29. They can be hand-delivered or mailed to Cottonwood Heights City Offices,

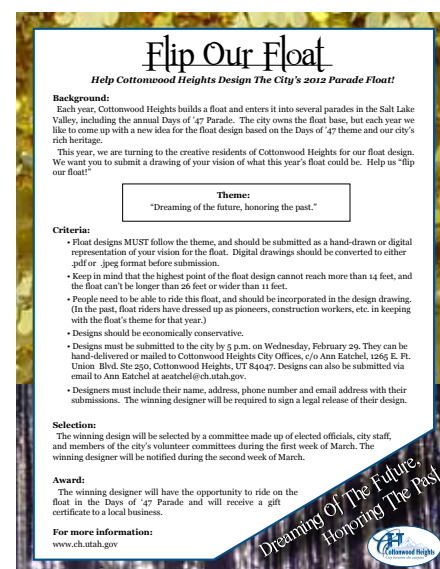
c/o Ann Eatchel, 1265 E. Ft. Union Blvd. Ste 250, Cottonwood Heights, UT 84047. Designs can also be submitted via email to Ann Eatchel at aeatchel@ch.utah.gov.

- Designers must include their name, address, phone number and email address with their submissions. The winning designer will be required to sign a legal release of their design.

The winning design will be selected by a committee made up of elected officials, city staff, and members of the city's volunteer committees during the first week of March.

The winning designer will be notified during the second week of March and will have the opportunity to ride on the float in the Days of '47 Parade. They will also receive a gift certificate to a local business.

We look forward to seeing great float designs from our residents. Thanks in advance for helping us "Flip Our Float!"



Update On Rolling Knolls / 6675 South Traffic Project

The Rolling Knolls/6675 South Traffic Project has been underway for nearly two years. A proposal championed by Councilwoman Nicole Omer was presented to the city council on Aug. 23, 2011 and was made available for public review on the city's website. The proposal included efforts to create a second drop-off/pick-up zone for Bella Vista Elementary, the creation of a one-way street westbound on 6675 S. and various traffic calming measures. After a public hearing on Sept. 13 in which there was not a firm consensus among residents on how to proceed, the city council agreed to continue trying to find solutions to the neighborhood's traffic calming issues.

Councilman Mike Peterson and members of city staff met with several residents late last year and looked at the many options proposed for traffic calming. It was the

consensus of the group to proceed this spring with a specific traffic calming and street striping plan. The plan would include fog lines on both sides of the street, warning stripes approaching speed bumps and striping at the bumps, striping at all stop signs, corner pedestrian striping, etc. The resident group agreed these measures would be the first step and then additional traffic calming measures would be looked at in the future. As of late January 2012, the city has the project out to bid at should have a cost proposals within the next 30 days.





February 2012

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Butlerville Days

It's only February, but the city's Butlerville Days Committee is already gearing up for this year's celebration and they are in need of volunteers. Specifically, they are looking for a Ticket Sales Committee Leader and a Hospitality Committee Leader. The ticket sales leader will organize the ticketing process for rides and activities at the event. The hospitality leader will coordinate the VIP area of the event and will be in charge of ordering t-shirts for all of the event volunteers.

The committee is also gathering a list of individuals who are willing to volunteer on the day of the celebration, July 24. Anyone interested in any of these volunteer positions is encouraged to email a letter of interest as soon as possible to City Events Coordinator Ann Eatchel at aeatchel@ch.utah.gov.

Historical Committee

Are you interested in preserving the history and heritage of the Cottonwood Heights area? If so, we need your help with the Cottonwood Heights Historical Committee!

The committee meets monthly and works to collect stories, pictures, and artifacts that recount the founding and growth of present-day Cottonwood Heights and surrounding area. After a recent reorganization, the committee is looking forward to many new and exciting projects, but they need your help.

If you are interested in the city's history and you have a bit of time to spare, contact committee chair Tom Shimizu by email at tnjshimizu@yahoo.com. Please include the reasons you would like to be considered and any applicable skills that would benefit the committee.

We look forward to your help in working to preserve stories from our city's past!



Special Service District 1 (Sanitation) Announces Fee Increase

On Tuesday, Dec. 13, 2011, the Administrative Control Board for the Sanitation District held a public hearing and adopted the 2012 budget. The budget includes a \$1.75 per month fee increase, which moves the monthly fee from \$11.00 to \$12.75 and the annual fee from \$132 to \$153. The fee increase is related to the following:

- \$4 per ton fee increase at the landfill to dispose of garbage
- 11 percent increased maintenance rates for our trucks
- 89 percent increase on the price of fuel in the past two years

These increased prices equate to \$2.2 million of increased annual expenses. Another reason for the fee increase is expanded services that district customers wanted, such as increased green waste and recycling collection and an expanded Annual Area Cleanup Program for large, bulky waste.

It is important to note that the dedicated sanitation employees improved efficiencies by moving from a five-eight work schedule to a four-ten schedule and absorbed as much as possible of these increased expenses. The schedule change and adjusting the fleet replacement schedule turned what could have been a \$3.90 per month fee increase to \$1.75 per month fee increase.

For more information about sanitation services, please visit their website at www.sanitation.slco.org or call 385-468-6325.

Cottonwood Heights Recreation Center

COTTONWOOD HEIGHTS
PARKS & RECREATION

Feb. 2012

Two for One

for Water Aerobics Classes and Open Plunge

Valentine's Day, Feb. 14, only get 2 people in for the price of 1!

Learn to Skate(LTS) Lessons

We have a Learn to skate class that is just right for you! Each class includes 35 min. of lesson time, 10 min. of practice, skate rental, and a FREE public skating session. All ages and levels available.

LTS Winter Session 2

Tues. 6-6:45 PM
* Starting Mar. 6

Wed. 6-6:45 PM
*Starting Mar. 7

Sat. 10-10:45 AM
*Starting Mar. 10

2002 Olympic Reunion

Free ice skating show with Olympic music: 1pm

Live or re-live the magic of the 2002 Olympics at CHRC Feb. 11. Display and share your memorabilia from 2-4pm, wear your volunteer coats, pins, and Roots hats and revive the Olympic spirit.

Public skating: 2-4pm



Winter Swimming Lessons

Learn to swim year round with our qualified instructors. All ages and levels available for learning swimming basics.

Winter Sessions 3

Begin Feb. 6 & 21
*In-person registration
Jan. 25-Feb. 25



Winter Session 4

Begins Feb. 22
*In-person registration
Jan. 25-Feb. 25

Use Water Resistance to Challenge Your Fitness Level

Try our fun and challenging water aerobics classes at CHRC and:
~increase your cardiovascular endurance
~improve your flexibility
~tone your muscles

Aqua Moms Class

Share your fun water workout 11:30 am
with your baby (3 mo.-3yrs.)! Tues.

Two for One Sweetheart Skate

Feb. 20

(President's Day)

Extra Skating

2pm-4pm

Extra Open Plunge

12noon-4pm

Come to our Sweetheart Skate Valentine's Day from 7pm-9pm and get your honey in FREE with your paid admission.



Need a Summer Job?

Need a Summer job?...Applications for Summer lifeguards and swim instructors available Feb 12 at CHRC.

Lifeguard Training Class

Join us for a Lifeguard training class at CHRC and get ready for that Summer job! (Come to our main office for more details.)

Check out our new **Ultimate Membership**: it includes all classes!

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